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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Operations
Director, African and Latin American Affairs, DI

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: IG Report on ALA

1. I reviewed the IG report on ALA last night and came out sharing the concerns expressed in the DDCI's memorandum and also his view that the comments and actions described in John Helgerson's memorandum of 22 August are reassuring.

25X1 2. I do want to comment on the segment of the IG report which deals with [redacted] and the reaction of some analysts to that effort as reflected in the IG report. There seem to be misunderstandings of the purpose of this study. It was an effort to step up collection in a situation where collection capability had been drastically curtailed; it was recognized that it takes a long time to rebuild it; there was criticism coming from PFIAB and the White House; and it was recognized that a crash effort to tap 25X1 the experience and knowledge of people [redacted] might make up some of the deficiencies in factual knowledge. Beyond that misunderstanding, the reaction of some analysts seemed very narrow and provincial as though there is a monopoly on analytical conclusions. In this fast-moving and complicated world, we can't afford to have analysts being that brittle. We believe in competitive analysis where feasible and welcome conflicting judgment from experienced and knowledgeable sources. We should assure analysts that their judgments will be respected and reflected in the product, but that doesn't mean assuring them the absence of other substantiated judgments.


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